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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a two month extension of time to respond to the communication of July 8, 2009.

The fee of \$490.00 is

- (X) to be charged to Credit Card (per attached Credit Card Authorization Form).
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Respectfully submitted,

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